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A regular meeting of the Redmond City Council was called to order by Mayor Rosemarie Ives at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber. Councilmembers present were: Allen, Cole, Marchione, McCormick, Resha, Robinson, and Vache.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced that the introduction of Mary Yelanjian, Arts Administrator, is postponed.

PRESENTATION OF GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR THE MICROSOFT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

Rob Odle, Planning and Community Development Director, introduced Faith Lumsden, Director of the Governor's Office of Regulatory Assistance, who presented the City of Redmond with the Governor's Award for the Microsoft Development Agreement.

ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Len Newstrum, 4428 Yarrow Point Road, Yarrow Point 98004, encouraged Council to support the Urban Maglev Study.

David Wobker, 18211 NE 100 Court, presented a petition from the Education Hill neighborhood opposing the narrowing of 166 Avenue NE.

Tom Paine, 15915 NE 95 Way, former City of Redmond Councilmember, expressed his support for maglev technology as a vision of the future.

Will Knedlik, P.O. Box 99, Kirkland 98083, requested the City Council take a leadership role in bringing rail from Tacoma to connect the cities along the I-405 corridor into downtown Redmond and support a thirty year package for Sound Transit Phase 2.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Ms. McCormick, second by Mr. Resha, to approve the following items of the Consent Agenda:

- (1) approve the minutes of the regular

meeting of February 20, 2007

- (2) approve the following payroll/direct deposit and claims checks:

PAYROLL/DIRECT DEPOSIT CHECKS:

#166492 through #166567
#173354 through #173961 \$1,206,817.50

CLAIMS CHECKS:

#323262 through #323617 \$3,195,059.22

- (3) reauthorize the City of Redmond to enter into slightly revised interlocal cooperation agreements with King County and Sound Transit for funding, design, construction and use of the Downtown Redmond Transit Center and with King County for maintenance of the Downtown Redmond Transit Center
- (4) accept the plat improvements and authorize release of the plat bond for Portico Place, PRD 98-001/PPL 98-002
- (5) authorize the Mayor to sign an amended interlocal agreement between the City of Redmond and the City of Bellevue for the Paging and Station Alerting System

Motion carried unanimously (7 - 0).

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING REGARDING MICROSOFT DEVELOPMENT
REVIEW STAFFING

The Mayor, in a memorandum to the City Council dated March 6, 2007, recommended approving the Memorandum of Understanding [MOU] with the Microsoft Corporation for the full funding of supplemental development review staff and additional supplemental support staff to review the plans for and the inspection of the

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construction of new and renovated Microsoft facilities within Redmond.

Councilmember Allen requested she be excused from the votes on Consent Items Six (6) and Seven (7), and the Ordinance approving the Microsoft Main Campus Rights-of-Way Vacation, L060113, as her husband is employed by Microsoft.

Motion by Mr. Vache, second by Ms. McCormick, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding [MOU] with the Microsoft Corporation. Motion passed unanimously (6 - 0) with Allen abstaining.

ORDINANCE: CREATE MICROSOFT DEVELOPMENT REVIEW FUND
ORDINANCE: 2007-2008 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

The Mayor, in a memorandum to the City Council dated March 6, 2007, recommended adopting the proposed ordinance to establish the Microsoft Development Review [MDR] Fund and its corresponding budget for 2007 and 2008.

Motion by Ms. McCormick, second by Mr. Vache, to adopt Ordinance No. 2327, to establish the Microsoft Development Review [MDR] Fund.

Ordinance No. 2327, an ordinance of the City of Redmond, Washington, establishing a fund to be known as the Microsoft Development Review Fund and authorizing expenditures from the newly created fund, was presented and read.

Upon a poll of the Council, Cole, McCormick, Marchione, Resha, Robinson, and Vache voted aye. Motion passed unanimously (6 - 0) with Allen abstaining.

Motion by Ms. McCormick, second by Mr. Vache, to adopt Ordinance No. 2328, to establish the Microsoft Development Review [MDR] Fund budget for 2007 and 2008.

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Ordinance No. 2328, an ordinance of the City of Redmond, Washington, making adjustments to the City budgets, amending Ordinance No. 2316, was presented and read.

Upon a poll of the Council, Cole, McCormick, Marchione, Resha, Robinson, and Vache voted aye. Motion passed unanimously (6 - 0) with Allen abstaining.

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE FOR MICROSOFT MAIN CAMPUS RIGHT-OF-WAY VACATIONS, L060113

The Mayor, in a memorandum to the City Council dated March 6, 2007, advised the City will retain utility easements and an easement for public transit over the areas to be vacated and recommended that the compensation of \$3,164,850 be placed in the City's Transportation CIP for the NE 36 Street Overpass project.

The Mayor opened the public hearing at 8:06 p.m.

Donald Marcy, 524 Second Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle 98104, appeared on behalf of Microsoft Corporation and requested that Council approve the vacation of the right-of-way for Microsoft's Main Campus.

Councilmember McCormick inquired if the sidewalks were to remain open to the public. Mr. Marcy replied Microsoft had no plans to close the sidewalk.

Hearing no further testimony, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed at 8:08 p.m.

Councilmember Resha requested that the compensation of \$3,164,850 for the area to be vacated be placed in the Council Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Contingency until Council concluded its discussion on the CIP.

Motion by Mr. Resha, second by Ms. McCormick, to approve Ordinance No. 2329, as requested by Microsoft Corporation to vacate certain public street rights-of-way located on Microsoft's main campus and placing the

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\$3,164,850 in the Council CIP
Contingency until the Council's CIP
discussions were concluded.

Ordinance No. 2329, an Ordinance of the City of Redmond, Washington, vacating certain rights-of-way within the City of Redmond, Washington, pursuant to RCW 35.79 and RMC 20F.40.110, subject to compensation and the reservation of certain easements, City File No. L060113, was presented and read.

Upon a poll of the Council, Cole, Marchione, McCormick, Resha, Robinson, and Vache voted aye. Motion carried unanimously (6 - 0) with Allen abstaining.

PUBLIC HEARING - PRE-ANNEXATION ZONING IN NORTH REDMOND AT
17619 NE 128 STREET, L060236

The Mayor, in a memorandum to the City Council dated March 6, 2007, advised this was the first of two public hearings required to amend pre-annexation zoning and directed staff to schedule a second public hearing.

The Mayor opened the hearing at 8:16 p.m. and hearing no testimony, she closed the public hearing at 8:17 p.m.

OMBUDSMAN REPORT

Councilmember Cole reported a concern over an individual's trash not being picked up and an issue regarding u-turns being performed in the Retirement Center parking lot on West Lake Sammamish Parkway.

Councilmember Allen received requests for information regarding the Shaughnessy Heights development.

Councilmember Robinson discussed the process and costs associated with removal of diseased trees. He inquired after resources that the City could provide to citizens in need of this service.

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AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AWARD OF FEDERAL TRANSIT
ADMINISTRATION FUNDING FOR REDMOND MAGLEV RESEARCH PROJECT

The Mayor in a memorandum to the City Council dated March 6, 2007, recommended approving the grant award of \$195,000 in Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding to hire a consultant to conduct research to advance the use of magnetic levitation (maglev) technologies as a high-capacity transit alternative to link the City's urban centers of Downtown and Overlake.

The Mayor presented several letters in support of the research and read a letter from the Governor. Dave Rhodes, Public Works Director, spoke on maglev, light rail, topography and curvature to connect the two centers of Downtown and Overlake.

Motion by Mr. Robinson, second by Ms. Allen, to authorize the Mayor to execute the award of \$195,000 of Federal Transit Administration funding for maglev technologies as a high-capacity transit alternative for the City of Redmond.

Councilmembers expressed concerns regarding funding a study outside of a regional solution, timing, regional complexity, cost and compatibility of this transportation alternative with a regional system.

Motion failed (2 - 5) with Cole, Marchione, McCormick, Resha, and Vache voting nay.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Rosemarie Ives declared the meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK